

Future Activities

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Upcoming WG Activities

- ❑ **Ongoing review and discussion of vaccine products in development, as indicated.**

- ❑ **Discussion of vaccine virus strain selection for 2012-2013 season; potential impact on recommendations**
 - e.g., dose recommendations for children 6 months through 8 years of age).

- ❑ **Review of evidence using GRADE.**
 - Dr. M. Hassan Murad (Mayo Clinic) to perform analyses.

Vaccine Strain Selection for 2012-2013

- ❑ **WHO Consultation and Information Meeting on the Composition of Influenza Virus Vaccines for the Northern Hemisphere, 2012-2013**
 - February 20-22, 2012.

- ❑ **FDA Vaccine and Related Biologic Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC)**
 - February 28-29, 2012.

Proposed Recommendations

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Groups Recommended for Vaccination

- Annual influenza vaccination is recommended for all persons aged 6 months and older.**
- No changes to groups recommended for annual influenza vaccination are proposed at this time.**
- Any proposed changes will be presented for discussion and vote and the June, 2012 ACIP meeting.**

Groups at Higher Risk for Influenza Complications

- Persons <2 or ≥ 65 years of age;
- Persons with the following conditions:
 - chronic pulmonary (including asthma),
 - cardiovascular (except hypertension),
 - renal, hepatic, hematological (including sickle cell) disease,
 - neurological, neuromuscular, or metabolic disorders (including diabetes mellitus);
- Immunosuppression, including that caused by medications or by HIV infection;
- Women who are pregnant or post-partum (2 weeks)
- Persons younger than 19 years of age who are receiving long-term aspirin therapy;
- American Indians and Alaskan Natives;
- Persons who are morbidly obese (body-mass index ≥ 40);
- Residents of nursing homes and other chronic-care facilities.